Exhibit 2

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From:

Stephen Stern

To:

Douglas Hofstedt

Cc:

Heather Yeung

Subject:

[EXTERNAL] Request for Depositions to be Conducted at Anne Arundel County Circuit Court

Date:

Thursday, September 30, 2021 4:22:24 PM

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Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Request for Depositions to be Conducted at Anne Arundel County Circuit Court

Date: Thursday, October 28, 2021 11:02:26 AM

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I consider each of these three individuals to pose potential security threats. I do not anticipate any other witness in this case posing such a threat.



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Sent: Thursday, October 28, 2021 10:59 AM

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Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Request for Depositions to be Conducted at Anne Arundel County Circuit Court

Date: Friday, October 1, 2021 11:08:27 AM

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Thanks in advance and we look forward to hearing from you to confirm dates and times.

Doug

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Subject:

[EXTERNAL] Rescheduling Depositions Wednesday, November 10, 2021 4:22:14 PM

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Subject:

Re: [EXTERNAL] Request for Depositions to be Conducted at Anne Arundel County Circuit Court

Date:

Thursday, October 28, 2021 10:58:49 AM

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Subject: Date:

RE: [EXTERNAL] Request for Depositions to be Conducted at Anne Arundel County Circuit Court

Date: Attachments: Thursday, October 28, 2021 11:00:13 AM

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November 22nd is not available.

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November 4th is available.

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To: Douglas Hofstedt < Douglas. Hofstedt@mdcourts.gov >

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One of the witnesses has now asked about November 4 and November 5. Please let me know whether either or both of these days works.

Thank you, Stephen



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Sent: Friday, October 1, 2021 11:08 AM **To:** Stephen Stern < Stern@kaganstern.com >

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Douglas Hofstedt; Ouinika Hawkins

Cc:

Heather Yeung

Subject: Date: [EXTERNAL] RE: Rescheduling Depositions Wednesday, November 10, 2021 8:07:02 PM

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There are now multiple dates for consideration by this witness. Please advise if the court is available for the deposition on the following dates:

November 18, November 29, and/or December 1.

Thank you, Stephen



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Subject: Rescheduling Depositions

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Ouinika Hawkins

To:

Heather Yeung; Stephen Stern; Douglas Hofstedt

Subject:

Re: [EXTERNAL] Request for Depositions to be Conducted at Anne Arundel County Circuit Court

Date:

Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:03:34 AM

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Thank you for letting us know.

From: Heather Yeung < yeung@kaganstern.com> Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 2:16 PM

To: Quinika Hawkins < Quinika. Hawkins@mdcourts.gov>; Stephen Stern < Stern@kaganstern.com>;

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Quinika and Douglas,

Unfortunately the deposition scheduled for tomorrow is going to be postponed. The deponent finally retained counsel, so we hope that this will be the last rescheduling of this one.

Thanks,



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Other Available Dates:

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Date:

RE: [EXTERNAL] Request for Depositions to be Conducted at Anne Arundel County Circuit Court

Date:

Thursday, October 28, 2021 11:10:11 AM

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Other Available Dates:

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What about November 23?

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Date:

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Date:

Wednesday, October 20, 2021 6:12:29 AM

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Good Morning,

Thank you for the update.

Nika

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Sent: Friday, October 1, 2021 11:08 AM

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RE: [EXTERNAL] Request for Depositions to be Conducted at Anne Arundel County Circuit Court

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Doug:

I have been told one deponent will not appear on October 19. I am trying to reschedule for October 25. Please advise as to whether the conference room is available that day.

Also, opposing counsel would like to participate via video. Will I be able to connect to a wi-fi network so I can have the opposing attorney participate via Teams or some other video technology?

Thank you, Stephen



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Thanks in advance and we look forward to hearing from you to confirm dates and times.

Doug

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Subject: Date: Re: [EXTERNAL] RE: Rescheduling Depositions

Friday, November 12, 2021 11:38:12 AM

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Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Rescheduling Depositions

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Thank you. I will circle back as soon as I am able to confirm.

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I just confirmed December 1. Please reserve the conference room for that day.

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Doug:

Thank you for speaking with me earlier today. As we discussed, I have a case where there are depositions of two witnesses we like to have pass through the security apparatus at the courthouse. We are looking to take those depositions October 19, 20, or 21 (two of those three days). Can we secure a room at the courthouse for these depositions? Ideally, the room would be able to accommodate up eight individuals (although I think in all likelihood, we would have up to five or six individuals in the room).

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you, Stephen



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Date:

Thursday, October 28, 2021 11:00:13 AM

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I consider each of these three individuals to pose potential security threats. I do not anticipate any other witness in this case posing such a threat.



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What about November 23?



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